

Documents on Diplomacy: Exercises

"China Hands" Answer Key

JOHN SERVICE "One cannot help coming to feel that this movement is strong and successful, and that it has such drive behind it and has tied itself so closely to the people that it will not easily be killed."

JOHN SERVICE "Mao has more warmth and magnetism than would be expected from the generally poor pictures of him."

AMBASSADOR CLARENCE E. GAUSS "In short, Mr. Service's first impressions of the Yen-an scene seem to have been wholly favorable."

JOHN SERVICE "I suggest that the American representatives best suited to visit the Communist area are Foreign Service Officers of the China language service."

MAO ZEDONG I, along with the other leaders, mingle freely with those who are serving in Yen-an; everyone has a job and produces something.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK My headquarters and all Kuomintang operations are centralized in Chungking.

JOHN SERVICE "It is interesting, therefore, that my own first impressions—and those of the rest of our Observer Group—have been extremely favorable."

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT "You [Patrick Hurley] are hereby designated as my personal representative with the Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, reporting directly to me. Your principal mission is to promote efficient and harmonious relations between the Generalissimo and General [Joseph] Stilwell."

AMBASSADOR PATRICK HURLEY I do not want to accept the ambassadorship because the duties I already have been called upon to perform in China were terribly disagreeable. My support of Chiang Kai-shek and the National Government is met with increased opposition from the pro-Communist elements in the State Department. However, President Roosevelt has convinced me to accept the position. At least Stilwell has been removed.

JOHN SERVICE "The Communists are in China to stay and China's destiny is not Chiang's but theirs."